

**TOWN OF SHREWSBURY
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
FEBRUARY 15, 2005**

The moderator announced a quorum of town meeting members in attendance and called the meeting to order at 7:10 P.M. in the Shrewsbury High School auditorium. The checklist showed 163 town meeting members present, including members at large.

As the first order of business, the moderator examined the warrant and the constable's return and asked for and received unanimous consent to waive the reading of the warrant.

The moderator led the assembly in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of town meeting members Frank J. Lanotte, Patricia P. Glore and John J. Consiglio who passed away since the last town meeting.

An asterisk indicates articles recommended by the Finance Committee.

***Article 1 Representative Town Government**

VOTED UNANIMOUSLY a motion to amend the By-Law on Representative Town Government by striking out in Sections 2 and 3 the number 0.76 and inserting in place thereof the number 0.72.

***Article 2 Petition General Court
 Amend Sec. 7 of Chap. 502 of the Acts of 1954**

VOTED a motion to authorize the Board of Selectmen to file the following petition with the General Court:

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PAYMENT OF COSTS FOR SYSTEMS
OF SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL IN THE TOWN OF
SHREWSBURY.

Section 7 of Chapter 502 of the Acts of 1954 is amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:

The town shall by vote determine the proportion of the cost of said system or systems of sewerage and sewage disposal the town shall pay; provided however, that the town shall pay not more than one fourth of the entire cost of said system or systems of sewerage and sewage disposal.

***Article 3: Transfer Sum from Title V Loan Repayment Account**

VOTED UNANIMOUSLY a motion to transfer the sum of \$5,849.00 from the Title V Loan Repayment Account to pay debt and interest expenses associated with a loan from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust in July of 2004.

Article 4: Chapter 32, Section 89B

On the advice of Town Counsel in accordance with the statutory requirement that Chapter 32, Section 89B be accepted at an Annual Town Meeting, the Moderator did not put Article 4 before the Special Town Meeting.

***Article 5: Accept Parcel of Land
 Shrewsbury Hills Subdivision**

VOTED UNANIMOUSLY a motion to accept a certain parcel of land in the Shrewsbury Hills subdivision being Parcel "G" as shown on sheet 1 of 6 of the definitive subdivision plan of "Shrewsbury Hills" prepared for Vogel Brothers-Brown Associates,

scale 1"=40', dated February, 1987; prepared by Charles A. Perkins Co. Inc. Civil Engineers & Surveyors, Clinton, Mass 01510, signed by Town Clerk and Planning Board on June 4, 1987", and recorded in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 33335, Page 96, Plan Book 591, Plan 38. Said Parcel "G" contains an area of 3,569± square feet of land. Said parcel is more particularly bounded and described as follows:

A certain parcel of land shown as "Parcel G" located off of Reservoir Street, Shrewsbury, MA, as shown on that certain plan recorded in the Worcester County Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 591, Plan No. 38 (Sheet 1 of 6), more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point shown on said Plan on the northeasterly side of Reservoir Street, Shrewsbury, Massachusetts, thence:

NORTH 32°25'00" west by said Reservoir Street, a distance of forty and 00/100 feet (40.00), more or less, thence

NORTH 57°25'07" east by said Reservoir Street, a distance of eight and 50/100 feet (8.50'), more or less, thence

NORTH 32°34'53" west by said Reservoir Street, a distance of ten and 00/100 feet (10.00'), more or less, thence

NORTH 52°57'39" east by land now or formerly of Wilbert, Jr. & Jean W. Moore, a distance of sixty-one and 73/100 feet (61.73'), more or less, thence

SOUTH 32°25'00" east by land of said Moore, a distance of fifty-five and 00/100 feet (55.00'), more or less, thence

SOUTH 57°35'00" west by land of said Moore, a distance of seventy and 00/100 feet (70.00'), more or less, to the point of beginning.

Parcel "G" is shown on sheet 1 of 6 of the definitive subdivision plan of "Shrewsbury Hills" prepared for Vogel Brothers-Brown Associates, scale 1"=40', dated February, 1987; prepared by Charles A. Perkins Co. Inc. Civil Engineers & Surveyors, Clinton, Mass 01510, signed by Town Clerk and Planning Board on June 4, 1987", and recorded in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 33335, Page 96, Plan Book 591, Plan 38. Said Parcel "G" contains an area of 3,569± square feet of land.

*** Article 6 Oak Street Easement**

VOTED UNANIMOUSLY a motion to accept a certain utility and access easement as shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Property Surveyed for Thomas St. Pierre, Jr., 272 Oak Street, Shrewsbury, Massachusetts" by Jarvis Land Survey, Inc., 420 Boston Turnpike, Shrewsbury, Massachusetts dated April 30, 2004 and recorded in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 813, Plan 11. Said Easement is more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the northwesterly corner of said easement on the southerly side of Oak Street

THENCE N. 68° 23' 24" E., a distance of 122.91' by Oak Street to a point;

THENCE S. 34° 18' 03" E., a distance of 13.33' by Oak Street to a point;

THENCE S. 62° 23'24" W., a distance of 127.17' to a point;

THENCE S. 15° 46' 11" w., a distance of 13.07' to a POINT OF BEGINNING.

Article 7 Petition General Court Sale of Property, 52 Holden St.

VOTED a motion to end debate and vote a motion to amend Article 7 by striking out in Section 2, line 2, the words "the highest bid" and inserting the words "no less than \$186,000."

Finance Committee does not recommend motion to amend

DEFEATED a motion to amend Article 7 by striking out in Section 2, line 2, the words "the highest bid" and inserting the words "no less than \$186,000."

VOTED a motion to end debate and vote the printed motion.

Finance Committee does not recommend Article 7

VOTED a motion to authorize the Board of Selectmen to file the following petition with the General Court:

AN ACT RELATIVE TO A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND IN THE
TOWN OF SHREWSBURY

SECTION 1. The Town of Shrewsbury, acting by and through its board of selectmen, may sell and convey a certain parcel of land located at 52 Holden Street in the town of Shrewsbury at public auction. A portion of the parcel was conveyed to the town by a deed dated February 22, 1999 and recorded in the Worcester County Registry of Deeds in book 21065, page 357.

SECTION 2. The consideration paid to the Town of Shrewsbury for the conveyance of the property described in section 1 of this act shall be the highest bid. The town may decide to require that the grantee shall be responsible for all costs associated with any appraisals, survey, auction fee or commission or other expense incurred by the town as determined by the board of selectmen.

SECTION 3. Subsections (a), (b) and (g) of section 16 of chapter 30B of the General Laws shall apply to the sale and conveyance authorized by this act.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

***Article 8 Transfer of Funds**
Water System Improvements Account

VOTED a motion to transfer the sum of \$150,000 from the Water System Improvements Account for the purpose of funding all costs and expenses associated with the repair, replacement or improvement of the municipal water system and related appurtenances in the vicinity of the intersection of North and South Quinsigamond Avenues and Boston Turnpike (Route 9).

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED a motion to adjourn at 8:25 P.M.

ATTEST:

Ann M. Dagle
Town Clerk

